

Short Locals.

Auditor Rowell is out on his rounds this week, taking tax returns.

Quantities of commercial fertilizer is being shipped to this point now.

FOR SALE.—My saw mill, planer and tram road.

J. A. SPANN.

The corner stone of a new court house for Darlington county was laid last week.

Mr. J. T. O'Neal has established new connections in the real estate business, and is now prepared to buy as well as sell property.

Miss Bessie Bruce, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bruce, of this place, will be married in Williston this evening to Mr. Harry Hazel.

In another column the city council offers a reward of ten dollars for the apprehension and conviction of parties who break the street lamps.

Large naval oranges at M. Moye's, 30 cents a dozen.

In the election of "Hub" Evans as chairman of the board of dispensary directors we have a manifestation of the eternal fitness of things.—Charleston Post.

Mrs. Laura Sharpe, who has been spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. H. S. Dowling, at Bamberg, S. C., has returned home.—Anderson Intelligencer.

A white man near Savannah, Ga., is charged with having beaten his wife so severely that she died from the effects. Such a brute as this deserves burning at the stake.

Ornan lodge, A. F. M., will hold an interesting meeting to-morrow (Friday) evening, at which the Master's degree is to be conferred.

Notwithstanding the case in the State courts against the fertilizer trust, prices of fertilizers have been largely increased. It seems that there is no aid for the farmer in our laws.

Mr. R. H. Sonntag, of Denmark, won the second prize of \$1,500 in the port receipts contest of the Atlanta Constitution. His estimate was within one bale of the correct number.

Tapioa at M. Moye's.

A white man charged with murder and having been refused bail, is not confined in jail but is living with the jailer, over at Monck's Corner. Queer prison rules they must have in that county.

Judge Ernest Gary has rendered a decision in the case of the State against the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. He decided against the company, and now the case will likely go to the State supreme court.

The legislature has killed the bill to authorize and require the directors of the State penitentiary to erect and equip fertilizer plants and warehouses for the manufacture and sale of commercial fertilizers.

G. Frank Bamberg has just received another car load of stock. While the prices are high this season, he will sell you cheaper than you can buy the same grade of stock elsewhere. See him if you need an animal.

Alva Smith, a prominent turpentine manufacturer of Stark, Fla., was arrested in Kingstree last week on the charge of being an emigrant agent without a license. He gave bond for \$500 for his appearance at the circuit court.

Col. Jno. F. Folk has bought the interest of his brother, Hon. H. C. Folk, in the handsome brick building on Main street. Col. Folk will fix up an up-to-date opera house on the second floor, which is much needed here.

Matthew F. Tighe, formerly a South Carolina newspaper man, but who has been living in Washington for several years, has been in this state recently in the interest of the candidacy of W. R. Hearst for the presidency.

An exchange very truly remarks that that if you, like some other people, are so thoughtless as to take up ashes in a wooden or pasteboard box and set them on the back steps, don't say it was an incendiary should you be awakened by the burning of your house.

A mass meeting of citizens was held in Aiken last Saturday in reference to lawlessness in the State. The meeting was held in view of Gov. Heyward's special message to the legislature on the subject of lynchings and other lawlessness. All this agitation does good, and it should be kept up.

Judge Purdy has rendered a decision which provides that dispensaries may be established at Lake City and Scranton, two towns in Williamsburg county. These towns have been opposing the opening of dispensaries, as the citizens know from the experience of other places, how hard they would be to get rid of.

I will have the last of the week a full line of seed potatoes and can give close prices on same.

M. MOYE.

Our job printing business has amounted to more this month than any month since the paper was established. We have simply been overrun with work, but with the help of our very faithful workmen, we can breathe easy again. In addition to the extra heavy rush of work, we were badly handicapped by a shipment of paper being lost by the railroad.

The body of Miss Sophia McMillan, who died in Greenville last Saturday, was brought here on the train Sunday morning, where it was met by a number of relatives. The deceased lady was a sister of Capt. J. C. and Mr. H. Z. McMillan, and was born and raised in this county, although she had made her home in Greenville with her sister, Mrs. T. M. Bailey, for a number of years. The burial took place in the family cemetery near the old home.

Onion sets at M. Moye's.

"Citizen," writing to the Columbia State, calls attention to the current reports that valuable considerations in money and goods are given to officials and employees of the dispensary by liquor dealers, and suggests that a law be enacted making it a criminal offense for any officer or employee of the dispensary to receive a present emanating from a liquor dealer, of any description, either money or goods, or to get any other payment than his regular salary.

The Bamberg cotton mills will not shut down as long as there is any cotton on hand. The company has about 800 bales in its warehouses, and although they could sell it at a large advance over the price paid, they prefer to keep the mill running so that the operatives will have work to do. If the management was entirely mercenary, the raw material would be sold and the mill shut down, for they could sell the cotton and realize a handsome dividend for the year without running the machinery.

Beautiful weather we've been having this week.

Cotton sold in Bamberg this week for fourteen cents the pound.

G. Frank Bamberg received another car load of stock last Monday.

Mr. Robert S. Cauthen and Miss Ina Payne are to be married in the Denmark Methodist church this (Wednesday) evening.

Next Monday is the first Monday in February and salesday, but there are no public sales to be held by any of the officials.

Our merchants generally are delighted with the January business. More business has been done here for cash during this month than for years.

FOR SALE.—1,000 pounds Eden and Blue Gem watermelon seed, price 50cts the pound. Guaranteed pure and 1903 seed. W. D. Rice, Denmark, S. C.

Miss Inez Brabham and Mr. J. E. Felder are to be married this (Wednesday) evening. The ceremony is to take place at the home of the bride's mother on Railroad avenue.

Senator A. C. Latimer sent us a letter last week saying that he had sent us a supply of garden seed to be distributed free. The seed have not arrived as yet, but as soon as they do we will give notice in this paper.

Auditor Rowell is anxious that tax-payers should meet him at his different appointments and make their returns, for after he finishes his rounds, only two days will be left in which to make returns. Better attend to this matter and save having the penalty put on you.

Saratoga chips at M. Moye's.

Attention is directed to the card of Country Treasurer Folk in another column, in which he gives the indebtedness and financial condition of the county. As he says, the statement published last week was that of the 1903 and had no reference to any back indebtedness. We wanted to show our people approximately what the running expenses of the county were last year, as well as the receipts from all sources.

Are You Going to the Concert?

You certainly should. There will appear in Bamberg Thursday evening, February 4th, a star attraction. Go even if you have to put by something else, for this is to be something to please. You can see from the following clippings how cordially the Ithaca Conservatory of Music Quartette is being received everywhere:

Harrisburg, Pa.—The concert company from the Ithaca Conservatory of Music gave one of the finest entertainments, under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Railroad Young Men's Christian Association, that has ever been heard in West Harrisburg. The audience was large and very enthusiastic, nearly every number on the programme being encored, and some twice. The quartette is composed of Maude G. Booth, contralto; Helen G. Bennett, violinist; Florence Jarvis, soprano; and Jane M. Keeler, reader. Miss Bennett's touch was clear and strong, and her movement that of an artist. So well pleased was the audience that it was almost impossible for her to leave the stage. The member of the company who deserves special mention is Mrs. Booth. She has a deep, rich contralto voice, which was very artistically used. Her expression and enunciation were excellent. Miss Jarvis' voice was a revelation. Clearness, richness, strength, purity, all were combined in her voice, the upper tones being as easily reached as the lower. Miss Keeler, the elocutionist, was inimitable, and her every characterization brought storms of applause from the audience. Everyone was delighted.

Petersburg, Va., Jan. 13, 1904.

My dear Mr. Williams—The concert rendered by your company was excellent, each member making a good impression on the large audience present. Many stated that Mrs. Booth was the best contralto they ever heard. As a whole, even the critics were delighted.

Yours truly, ISHAM R. DYER.

Index and Appeal, Petersburg, Va., Dec. 15, 1903.—The concert company of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music gave a very delightful entertainment last evening to a large, enthusiastic and highly appreciative audience. Encores were the order of the evening, and the company was amiable enough to comply in every instance, with the result that the programme was doubled. Mr. Dyer is maintaining the high standard of entertainments which has long prevailed with the Y. M. C. A. in this city, and he deserves the recognition and support of the public in his efforts to furnish the community with entertainments pure in tone and meritorious in character.

This is to be an extraordinary entertainment. Those who come are sure to be pleased; those who stay away will be the disappointed folks. However, let the whole town turn out that night, and show these young people that Bamberg knows how to receive a good thing. The concert is to be given in C. F. S. chapel. Tickets to concert 25, 35, and 50cts. Tickets on sale at W. D. Rhoad's store.

Letter to Jno. H. Cope, Bamberg, S. C.

Dear Sir: Mr. ——— President of a cotton-mill at Union, S. C.—he don't want to see his name in print—had two offers of 500 gallons of paint: \$1.30 and \$1.25. Took the \$1.25; and got skinned. He'd have got three-quarters skinned if he'd taken the other.

The \$1.30 was full-gallon; the \$1.25 was 18 per cent short. The full-measure paint was adulterated 40 per cent; the short-measure paint was adulterated 45 per cent, besides benzine in the oil, don't know how much.

Devote lead-and-zinc wasn't sold in the town then.

It don't pay to monkey with paint. Devote costs less than any of 'em; not by the gallon, of course; by the house and year. That's how to reckon it. Go by the name.

Yours truly F W DEVOTE & Co

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New Advertisements.

Bamberg Town Council—Reward.

J. H. Armstrong—Buff Cochon Eggs.

B. W. Miley, Judge of Probate—Citation Notice, Estate of Dr. D. W. Barton.

Tillman Bunch, of Spartanburg, a nephew of Senator Tillman, has been appointed second lieutenant in the United States marine corps. He is at present journal clerk in the state senate.

HEROISM OF FIVE SAILORS.

A Mystery of the Pacific Ocean That Will Never Be Revealed.

At the southern end of the new Seaman ship building at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, there is a boat about twenty-five feet long of the ordinary gig type, decked over and with four cockpits. On the sides of the stern cockpit there are five names roughly chiseled, as if with a sailor's clasp-knife. On the right side appears the name of J. C. Talbot, on the stern end appear W. Halford and P. Francis, and on the left, one above the other, the names of J. Andrews and J. Muir are cut.

The boat and the roughly cut names are ever before the young naval officers as a forcible and pathetic memorial of the heroism of the five men whose names thus appear, who dared the dangers of a trip of 1,500 miles on the Pacific in this little craft, and four of whom laid down their lives that their companions, survivors from the wrecked gunboat Saginaw, cast away on desolate Ocean island, might be saved.

The gunboat Saginaw went ashore on Ocean island in midpacific in November of 1870. This island is entirely barren and uninhabited and is near Midway island, where the United States now has a naval station. At that time the islands in the vicinity were badly charted and little was known about the currents.

While engaged in this work under the command of Captain Sildard, one of the most careful officers in the American navy, the ship was carried into the surf off Ocean island and completely wrecked. Captain Sildard managed the escape of every member of the crew and the transference of the ship's stores in such a skillful manner that the loss of the ship was a matter of honor to him in the service rather than blame. The island was entirely out of the usual course of vessels, and as it afforded absolutely nothing in the way of food productions the probability was that unless help could be procured in some other way all the members of the crew would perish of starvation.

At this juncture a call was made for volunteers to man one of the small boats and make the perilous attempt to reach the nearest land, the Hawaiian group, 1,500 miles across the Pacific. A response was made promptly by Lieutenant J. C. Talbot and the four men—Halford, Francis, Andrews and Muir. The captain's gig was selected as the most suitable boat. It was decked over, four cockpits made, and the little craft was provisioned from the scanty stores and started with the cheers and prayers of those left behind.

The little boat under oars and sails made the 1,500 miles in a little over three weeks, arriving off Kaula island of the Hawaiian group on the morning of Dec. 19. About midnight it became

evident that they were approaching the surf near some land. Sick and exhausted as they were, they were wonderfully cheered by the knowledge that land was so near, and, though the landing through the surf was a new source of danger, they believed that it could be accomplished in the morning.

The one survivor of the expedition, William Halford, now chief gunner in the service, has often related to Commander Halsey the circumstances which followed as far as he knew them and as far as they will ever be known. "When we heard the surf breaking on the shore," he said, "Lieutenant Talbot decided not to try to land until the morning. I was on watch until 1 a. m. and was relieved by the lieutenant. I got under the deck and went to sleep. The next thing I knew I was on the shore of the island, slowly recovering consciousness."

This is absolutely all that is known of the fate of the four brave men. The boat came ashore and was brought to Annapolis after some years. It is not known whether the boat drifted into the surf or whether Lieutenant Talbot believed that the chances were good of making shore and attempted a landing. At any rate, Halford was able to communicate with Honolulu, and a relief expedition was dispatched, by which every one of the wrecked crew was saved.

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Sunday Marriage.

Mr. O. G. Rhode and Mrs. Maude Rentz were happily married last Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's father in this city, Rev. M. W. Hook, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Rhode left for their home in the Hunter's Chapel section. The wedding was a quiet one, only relatives of the contracting parties being present.

The bride is a daughter of Sheriff J. B. Hunter, and the groom is one of the substantial farmers of the Hartzog section. Their friends extend congratulations and good wishes.

Train Load of Negroes.

Negro leaders in Alabama are arranging to send a train load of members of the colored race in this and other Southern States to the republican national convention in Chicago for the purpose of representing to the party authorities the manner in which the "Lily White" republicans are alleged to have excluded the negro from party organization and to demand rights in the councils of the party and as citizens.

The leaders of the movement not only hope to have the party authorities declare against the "Lily White" policy of ruling out the negro, but will also seek to have inserted in the republican national platform a plank against the disfranchisement of negroes.

An effort is being made to have Booker T. Washington lead the party.

Fewer gallons; wears longer; Devoe.

Forty thousand acres of timber land in Oconee and Pickens counties were sold on Thursday to the R. E. Wood Lumber company of Baltimore.

Free silver, Mr. Bryan's heart-and-soul political issue, was born and reared in the Populist party, yet the Nebraskan has the nerve to declare no Democrat will be nominated who will not endorse that plank.

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CITATION NOTICE.

The State of South Carolina—County of Bamberg—By B. W. Miley, Esq., Probate Judge.

Whereas, P. M. Kinard hath made suit to me to grant him letters of administration of the estate of and effects of E. F. Kinard.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said E. F. Kinard, deceased, that they be and appear before me in the Court of Probate to be held at Bamberg